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RUMANIAN TRACTOR IAR 22

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The Rumanian tractor IAR 22 is powered by a four-cylinder, iour-cycle Diesel motor which develops 42 horsepower at 1,200 rpm. The motor is started by gasoline and switches automatically to Diesel fuel at 900 rpm. Diesel fuel with 60 degree centigrade flash point and 0.887 specific gravity is specified for the motor. There are five forwerd speeds and one reverse; fourth and fifth speeds are locked out on tractors with all-iron wheels which are to be used in agriculture. The power at the drawbar is 12 percent greater when the tractor is equipped with rubber tires and not all-iron wheels. At the rear of the transmission case is a power takeoff with a wheel for a belt. This wheel, geared to the main axle by a pair of cogwheels, is used to run a belt for threshers, saws, pumps, etc.

Some of the tractor's characteristics are:

Force at power takeoff Tractive power for plowing

34 hp (approximately) lst speed; 1,900 kg 2d speed: 1,400 kg 3d speed: 1,000 kg

Speed of belt wheel Diameter of belt wheel

900 rpm 360 rpm [sic; probably 360 mm]

Weight of tractor Power

3,250 kg 38 - 40 hp 3 bearings

Crankshaft Normal motor speed

1,100 - 1,200 rpm kg/10 work-hours

Oil consumption Fuel consumption

250 **gr/**hp-hr

Fuel consumption at plowing 011 capacity of transmission case

5 kg/hr 55 liters

Each tractor is equipped with two headlights, one tail light and a kit of tools containing wrenches of all sizes, special value-grinding compound, and

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epecial vaseline for the water pump. With every 50 tractors there is a special kit of soils for general overhauling. The normal life of a tractor is 5,000 hours. Any defects which develop within the first 800 hours are repaired by the factory at its own expense.

Up to May 1948, the Brazov plant was delivering 55 assembled tractors per month and spare parts equivalent to an additional five tractors. Since May 1940 [sic; probably 1948], the plant has been delivering 100 tractors per month. Almost 900 tractors have been delivered since the Brazov plant began operation.

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